

OLLI Board Meeting

09 SEPTEMBER 2016 / 1:00pm to / CONFERENCE ROOM Aptos Community Center

Attendees

Dennis Morris, Mark Gordon, Fred DeJarlais, Chris Le Maistre, Myra Mahoney, Mary Carvalho, Peter Nurkse, Lois Widom, Barry Bowman, JoAnne Dlott, Sally Lester, Steve Zaslaw, Cindy Margolin, Gail Greenwood, Margie Lafia

Agenda

Last Meeting Follow-up

1. Minutes of 8/8/16 meeting by Margie Lafia were approved.
2. President's Comments (Dennis Morris) opened the meeting with announcements about today's topics.
3. Pablo Reguerin, Assistant Vice-Provost of the Division of Student Success, was available for questions or discussion about the relationship between OLLI and UCSC.
 - At issue is the Board's concern regarding prompt payments to vendors (Mark). The current system makes it difficult for OLLI to plan its budget (Cindy).
 - As an example, JoAnne said payment to Bargetto Winery was very delayed. Lois said that the payment to Peace United Church and MAH for using their space was delayed.
 - The treasurer (Cindy) explained that even if contracts are complicated, it is necessary to have all of the invoices in order and all of the contracts completed to work efficiently to maintain and balance the budget.
 - Pablo acknowledged that budgeting on campus is complicated, involving many levels of administration and layers for approval. (involved in this discussion: Pablo, Dennis, Mark, Cindy, Lois, Steve)
 1. Payment of invoices can be improved. Pablo explained that we should explain to vendors how the university works and let them know that there is a faster process.
 2. They need to know the difference between an invoice vs. a quote.
 3. The vendor can submit the invoice directly if it has set up EFT (electronic funds transfer); that will speed up the payment.(Pablo)
 4. Mark reminded us of our close relationship with Colleges Nine and Ten. Pablo said that OLLI has VIP but the status with UCSC. Mark

asked if the university could take money away from OLLI and the answer was no.

5. Dennis and Sally wanted to know about the insurance provided by the university for activities such as kayaking and canoeing.
 - Sally will check with the university policy and get back to the board. The answer may involve participants filling out waivers.
 - The Paddling group is provisional, depending on the information received regarding UCSC insurance.

4. Board Meeting April 16 changed to April 23 (Dennis 1st, Mark 2nd)
5. Roger Knacke will have a table that offers discounted tickets for the Santa Cruz Symphony at the first OLLI meeting. This is not an interest group.
6. Lynne Stoops will be available at the October Board meeting. She is the Executive Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations in University Relations.
7. First OLLI General Meeting
 - Growth and Participation: Mary and Gail will present a skit to promote involvement and volunteerism in OLLI...they will emphasize “shadowing” a Board member to help with the perpetuity of this volunteer organization (also Myra)
 - Several OLLI Board members will mention how important it is to have supplementary volunteers to learn how to perform the Board members’ jobs.
 - The Board members and their roles will be introduced on stage
 - Interest Groups (Peter) will explain the variety among the different interest groups
 - Peter introduced several new interest groups: Cooking and Paddling. The latter is on provisional status because waivers have not been resolved. Re: Cooking: New Leaf Market, on the westside, is also offering cooking classes). Cindy (1st) approved that a table be made available for the Paddling group, pending university approval. Mark (2nd) agreed, pending UCSC insurance approval.
 - The Board will monitor the success of the Navigating Retirement group.
 - Courses. Lois described the difference between interest groups and courses. She expanded our knowledge of the quality of the courses presented...retired professors with a desire to continue working in their area of expertise.

- If members have trouble using the online website using Chrome, they should try Edge.
- Subcommittee Reports
- (Fred) re: parking...Luke Lafia is helping with the shuttles and the remote lot.
- (Mark) Colleges Nine and Ten... There will be an initial meeting in October to look ahead to the coming year.

Board Members' Reports

- Courses

Lois wanted to know how many members will participate in each course in order for each facility to know ie. Moby Dick. The RRR group has filled. She also was wondering about the possibility to use different facilities, such as the Women's Center. It is not available for reservations until January 17 and will require parking permits. University Relations is moving from Santa Cruz to Scotts Valley in December; how much would it cost to rent a room there? Lois and Sally will check after the move.

- Speakers Program

Barry said the first speaker will be Fred DeJarlais who was past president of the California Map Society. In November Michael Orbach will speak about social science and reactions to rising ocean levels. January will be Flora Lu, who studies the environmental issues in Central America. In February we will hear Kirsten Wasson, Director of Research at Elkhorn Slough. Bruce Lyon will speak in March about his studies of bird behavior. The speakers for April and May have not been finalized.

- Membership Support

Myra explained that Bonita was not present and that we will wait for her report.

OLLI should send reminder, maybe with postcards.

There will be a Health Fair at Dominican Hospital in, Seascape on November 19.

The OLLI Board will have a table there to promote our organization.

- Facilities

Mark explained that the facilities will be different at Porter College. We will have greeters at the curb and the top of the stairs. Food will be by the glass wall. A table will be needed for groups such as the Symphony to promote their activities located near Fred's slideshow. Pick up "Ask Me" pins from Fred. TAPS parking services will be coordinated for this meeting at Porter College.

- Publications

Steve and Fred had some suggestions for more publicity. OLLI should check into putting ads into event programs, such as Shakespeare Santa Cruz and Espresso. Currently there isn't a publicity chair. Fred will look into these possibilities.

- Events

Mark thanked Dennis for generously offering his home for the summer board meeting. Gail was further explaining why the skit at the beginning of the meeting was so important. It will be considered Outreach and should not be more than 30 seconds. This would happen just before Dennis' opening remarks.

Lois suggested that it would be a good idea to include a scholarship recipient to speak briefly at each of the upcoming meetings. (Cindy motioned 1st and Mark 2nd).

Sally mentioned that we have 60–70 new scholarship applications. Sally will deliver the applications to Shirley Forsyth, the scholarship chair.

Myra asked why UCSC charges us for parking. Sally said that TAPS charges everyone. If you carpool to the monthly meetings, the charge is \$2.

Actions

1. Sally-follow up to Margie re: UCSC insurance-liability for the Wine Tasting Group (drinking and driving)
2. Sally—follow up for “paddlers group”—insurance and liability
3. Cindy requests that new pictures of interest group activities be submitted to her.
4. Lois and Sally to check out prices for room rentals at University Relations in Scotts Valley after they've moved in December.
5. Fred will looking more publicity for OLLI
6. Sally to coordinate student speakers at upcoming OLLI meetings.

Next Meeting Agenda

October 10, 2016 1 pm at the Aptos Community Center